



## City of Port Hueneme

June 7, 2010

Mr. Sam Unger Interim Executive Officer Los Angeles Regional Water Quality Control Board 320 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Suite 200 Los Angeles, Ca 90013

REF: COMMENTS ON RECONSIDERATION OF THE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMIT (TENTATIVE ORDER/NPDES NO. CASOO4002) FOR THE VENTURA COUNTY WATERSHED PROTECTION DISTRICT, THE COUNTY OF VENTURA AND THE INCORPORATED CITIES THEREIN (MUNICIPAL SEPARATE STORM SEWER SYSTEM)

Dear Mr. Unger:

The City of Port Hueneme wishes to submit comments on the Tentative Order Waste Discharge Requirements for Storm Water Discharges from the Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System within the Ventura County Watershed Protection District, County of Ventura and the Incorporated Cities therein (NPDES Permit No. CAS004002) which was released for public comment by the Regional Water Board (Board) on May 5, 2010.

We would first like to express our gratitude to Board staff for the significant effort that has been put into interpreting the currently effective permit, Order No. 09-0057.

Since the Order's adoption on May 7, 2009, Port Hueneme has been part of the substantial countywide program effort in moving forward with implementing various programs and tasks associated with permit compliance. We believe that the Tentative Order offers a positive step in dealing with urban runoff within our jurisdiction. However, this effort has required a significant investment of City resources and we encourage the Board to carefully consider the effects of any potential modifications.

We also wish to express our support of all comments submitted in a letter dated June 4, 2010, on behalf of the Ventura Countywide Stormwater Quality Program.

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We again wish to express our thanks to you and your staff for the time and effort your group has put into meeting with the Ventura County Permittees on this complex issue.

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